

CLAIMS

I claim:

1. an improved system of icons for the layout and cutting of frame carpentry on a tape having a surface, whereas;

a) wood grain patterns are used to differentiate offsets, so that the use of color is not necessary, whereas said wood grain patterns are centered on said tape for zero offset, the center of said wood grain pattern is on an edge of said tape for the 3 1/2" offset, and the center of said wood grain pattern is in the corner of said tape for the 5 1/2" offset;

b) a system of colored " T " icons (trimmer and wall tee) are used on said tape to differentiate; the commercial interior door opening (black), the residential rough openings for interior doors (white), and for residential 3 1/2" & 5 1/2" wall tees (red). These colors correspond with the coloring system for golf tees , whereas black is professional (longest) , white is regular (medium) , and red is the short tee. These systems are floating, on said tape, with the each having its own common " T ", and a criss-cross of diagonal lines for easier recognition;

c) for blocking, a plurality of spaced stations longitudinally disposed on said surface of said tape, said first plurality of spaced stations being 14 7/16" apart and separated by 1/8" cutting icons, and a second plurality of spaced stations longitudinally disposed on said surface of said tape, said second plurality of spaced stations being 22 7/16" apart and separated by 1/8" cutting icons, and a third plurality of spaced stations longitudinally disposed on said surface of said tape, said third plurality of spaced stations being 13 11/16" apart and separated by 1/8" cutting icons, and a fourth plurality of spaced stations longitudinally disposed on said surface of said tape, said fourth plurality of spaced stations being 21 11/16" apart and separated by 1/8" cutting icons;

2. a layout mark for the commercial crosspiece/header for a standard 3-0 interior commercial door;

3. a system of icons designating various squaring sets, working from a common icon at the 2 inch mark.

